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Director Feels Students Deserve Credit for New Grant

Undergraduate students in life sciences may be thanking Kaci Thompson for helping secure an unprecedented third Howard Hughes Medical Institute grant for their research projects, but Thompson feels that it's the students who should be thanked.

Thompson, associate director of the institute (HHMI) in the



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Kaci Thompson would like a new NIH grant to allow undergraduate students more opportunities for research integrated with graduate and post-graduate work.

College of Life Sciences, said that to win the award three out of four award periods since

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Remembrance and Healing

Campus Scholars Offer Thoughts on a Post-Sept. 11 Nation

Editor's note: It is impossible to capture verbally all of the emotions surrounding the events on Sept. 11, 2001. What follows, in various forms, are thoughts from campus scholars as they reflect on the state of racial/ethnic harmony in America. We attempted to represent several viewpoints, but time and schedule constraints prevented many from contributing.

A poem by Suheil Bushrui, Bahá'í Chair for World Peace

This poem was written in 1996 after my wife and I were awarded the greatest honor that America can bestow: the

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Candidates Bring Campaign to Campus



PHOTO BY MONETTE AUSTIN BAILEY

Democratic candidates for the Prince George's County Executive seat came to campus last week for a debate moderated by Gazette newspaper political columnist Josh Kurtz, far right. The debate was filmed in UMTV's studio and will be rebroadcast today, Sept. 10, at 3 p.m. Seated from left: County Councilman Jim Estepp, Major Riddick, Del. Rushern Baker and Anthony Muse. State's attorney and executive candidate Jack Jackson did not attend. Primary elections are being held today.

Moving Emotion Aside to Learn a Lesson

Fire Engineers Examine WTC Towers Failures

In all the analysis of why the World Trade Center buildings collapsed, there seems to be missing a theory for why Towers 1 and 2 fell how and when they did, according to two campus fire protection engineers.

Professors James Quintiere and Marino diMarzo, who is also chair of the fire protection engineering department, wrote a short paper published in the current Fire Safety Journal that asks questions both feel aren't being answered. They worked with structural specialist Rachel Becker, from Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, who had been here on sabbatical.

"We wanted to get something out as a challenge to people who were saying things about what happened," said Quintiere. "The insulation around the trusses, 1" thick steel rods, in the towers was different. In the south tower it was 3/4" thick and in the north it was 1 1/2" thick. One fell in half the time as the other. The strength of the building was not compromised by the hit because there

was so much external structural fabric. It looks like the fire did the damage."

Office furnishings ignited by jet fuel did help create long-burning fires with temperatures reaching more than 900 degrees Celsius, the scholars agree, but improperly insulated steel failed. Precious minutes were lost with that failure. "The reality may be more complex, but this is one of the strongest factors," said diMarzo.

He and Quintiere know that it is hard to move past the human toll and emotion of the Sept. 11 attacks in order to get to what could be learned from an engineering standpoint.

However, they feel it is important to take a careful look at whether or not there were deficiencies in the buildings. "So far, no one has formulated a framework for a theory that would explain why [the towers] fell at these times," said diMarzo. "If one tower lasted one hour longer, you can start speculating."

Most of the structural data

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University Addresses West Nile Virus

Cases of West Nile Virus infection, a mosquito-borne illness that generally produces only mild flu-like symptoms in a healthy person, have been reported this summer in a number of states, including the District of Columbia. The university has reinforced standard mosquito control practices to reduce mosquito populations on campus. Here are some answers to questions you might have about West Nile

virus, the university's prevention measures and what you can do to reduce your risk of being bitten by a mosquito.

What is West Nile Virus?

West Nile Virus (WNV) is a virus spread by the bite of an infected mosquito. A mosquito can pick up the virus by biting an infected animal, then transmit it by biting other animals or humans. WNV usually infects horses and birds. Crows and blue jays are frequent carriers of WNV in this area.

What are the symptoms of West Nile Virus in humans?

Most people who are exposed to WNV show no symptoms. In some people, WNV can cause a very mild infection along with fever, muscle aches, rash, swollen lymph nodes and a "sick feeling." In a very small percentage of people, WNV may cause inflammation of the brain or

the tissue around it, in the form of encephalitis or meningitis. Victims of WNV who have died have been



the elderly and those with conditions such as AIDS, diabetes or other chronic health conditions that have compromised their immune systems.

What is the university doing to reduce the risk of exposure to West Nile Virus?

A critical step in reducing exposure to mosquito-borne disease is controlling areas of standing water to prevent mosquitoes from breeding. University Facilities Management routinely patrols standing water, such as campus

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YOUR GUIDE TO UNIVERSITY EVENTS: SEPTEMBER 10-18

TUESDAY

september 10

1-1:45 p.m., Free Individual Smoking Cessation Education 2102 Health Center. For those planning to quit who would like more information or those ready to quit now, a health educator is available to meet on an individual basis. Smokers can learn more about their smoking habits and the best strategies for quitting. Available by appointment only. For more information, contact Kelly Dolan at 4-8123 or dolan@health.umd.edu, or visit www.umd.edu/health.

4:30-6 p.m., Turkish Belly Dance Fitness Training Art and Learning Center (B0107 Stamp Student Union). See For Your Interest, page 8.

6-7:30 p.m., Turkish Belly Dance Technique Art and Learning Center (B0107 Stamp Student Union). See For Your Interest, page 8.

6-9 p.m., Microsoft Excel I: Creating & Using Spreadsheets 4404 Computer & Space Science. Introduces basics such as how to enter values and text, create formulas, use pre-built functions, link between data and more. Prerequisite: Windows 98 or equivalent. The fee is \$10 students, \$20 faculty/staff and \$25 alumni. For more information, contact Carol Warrington at 5-2938 or cwpost@umd5.umd.edu, or visit www.oit.umd.edu/pt.

WEDNESDAY

september 11

7:30-9:30 a.m., Good Morning, Commuters! North Atrium, Stamp Student Union. Free Starbucks Coffee & Krispy Kreme donuts will be served. Sponsored by Commuter Affairs and Community Service. For more information, contact Leslie Perkins at 4-7250 or lperkins@accmail.umd.edu.

10 a.m.-3 p.m., Red Terrapins Blood Drive Baltimore Room, Stamp Student Union. For more information, contact Benjamin Ruder at (856) 795-7654.

6-9 p.m., Introduction to MATLAB 3330 Computer &

Non-Credit Instruction: New Golfer Series

Learn the fundamentals of the full swing, putting, and chipping in this five-lesson series. The course will also teach how to book a tee time and how to buy your first set of clubs, and cover basic rules and etiquette.

Campus Recreation Services will offer two courses this fall at the University Golf Course: (1) Tuesday and Thursday, Sept. 12 to 26, OR (2) Monday and Wednesday, Sept. 16 to 30. Class time for both courses is 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The registration fee is \$125. Space is limited and classes fill quickly. Registration begins Sept. 3 and continues until one week prior to the first day of class. Participants may register at www.crs.umd.edu and pay by credit card.

For more information, contact Laura Sutter, 5-PLAY or ls220@umail.umd.edu, or visit www.crs.umd.edu.

Space Science. Introduces the basic principles of mathematical tools for complex operations such as integration and differentiation in symbolic mathematical notation. Includes rendering in 2D or 3D plots. Prerequisite: a WAM account. The fee is \$10 students, \$20 faculty/staff and \$25 alumni. For more information, contact Carol Warrington at 5-2938 or cwpost@umd5.umd.edu, or visit www.oit.umd.edu/pt.

THURSDAY

september 12

10 a.m.-3 p.m., University of Maryland 2002 Part-Time Job Fair Stamp Student Union. For more information, call Jan Cotton at 5-2779.

3-5 p.m., 20th Century Japanese Prints from The Art Gallery's Permanent Collection Art Gallery, Art-Sociology Building. The Art Gallery opens its first exhibition of the 2002-2003 season. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact the Art Gallery at 5-2763 or

ag210@umail.umd.edu, or visit www.artgallery.umd.edu.

4:30-7:30 p.m., Basic Computing Technologies at MD 3330 Computer & Space Science. Introduces network technologies such as FTP, how to read and post on Usenet newsgroups, subscribe to public newsgroups and send attachments using an e-mail program such as Netscape. Prerequisite: a WAM account. The fee is \$10 students, \$20 faculty/staff. For more information, contact Carol Warrington at 5-2938 or cwpost@umd5.umd.edu, or visit www.oit.umd.edu/pt.

7:30 p.m., Hypnotist Tom DeLuca Grand Ballroom, Stamp Student Union. Doors open at 7 p.m. Free. For more information, call SEE at 4-8496.

8 p.m., Doug Varone and Dancers Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. See page 3.

FRIDAY

september 13

11 a.m.-10 p.m., Hispanic Heritage Festival Hornbake Plaza. "Come, Learn, Enjoy, Eat, Celebrate Culture!" For more information, send an e-mail to hmc_um@hotmail.com.

12 p.m., Political Communication in Campaigns 0200 Skinner. The Department of Communication's Center for Political Communication and Civic Leadership lecture by former Congressman John B. Anderson. For additional information, contact Shawn J. Parry-Giles, director, at 5-6527 or sp172@umail.umd.edu.

5:30 p.m., From Vision to Reality: The Life and Career of Harry Clifton Byrd Hornbake Library (reception from 5:30-7:30 p.m.; program at 6:30 p.m.). An exhibit documenting the life and accomplishments of Byrd, considered by many to be the father and builder of the modern University of Maryland. The exhibit will run through Dec. 20. For the reception and program, RSVP to Friends of the Libraries at 4-5674. For more information, visit www.lib.umd.edu/HBK/showcase.

8 p.m., Doug Varone and Dancers Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. See page 3.

MONDAY

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6:30-7 p.m., Terrapin Trail Club Meeting Campus Recreation Center, Outdoor Recreation Center. The Terrapin Trail Club is a student organization that sponsors various outdoor recreational activities, such as hiking, backpacking, camping, mountain biking, caving, canoeing, rock climbing and kayaking. Activities are open to all registered students, faculty and staff. The club's primary goal is to help outdoor enthusiasts on campus find each other and share their love for the outdoors. For more information, contact club officers at (301) 226-4453 or officers@ttc.umd.edu, or visit www.ttc.umd.edu.

TUESDAY

september 17

3:30-5:30 p.m., Numerical Analysis Seminar 3206 Math Building. The featured speaker will be Valeria Simoncini from the Universita di Bologna. For more information, contact Tobias von Petersdorff at tvp@math.umd.edu or visit www.math.umd.edu/dept/seminars/nas.

5:30-7:30 p.m., Take Five: Prism Brass Quintet Dance Theatre, Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center. The "Take Five on Tuesdays" series presents world and new music from the award winning University of Maryland ensemble. Take Five is a free, informal series offering an opportunity to experience a wide range of artistic areas. For more information, contact Amy Harbison 5-8169 or harbison@wam.umd.edu, or visit www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

6-8 p.m., Netscape Page Composer: Making Web Pages the Easy Way 4404 Computer & Space Science. This class introduces Netscape's Web page editing and development tool. Students will learn to create hyperlinks, colors, font styles, bullets and tables — without typing a single line of HTML code. Prerequisite: basic Web browsing ability. Registration fees are \$10 for students, \$20 for faculty and staff, and \$25 for alumni. For more information, contact Carol Warrington at 5-2938 or cwpost@umd5.umd.edu, or visit www.oit.umd.edu/pt.

WEDNESDAY

september 18

9:30-11 a.m., Safety Training 3104 Chesapeake Building. The Department of Environmental Safety (DES) hosts a laboratory safety orientation train-

Correction

In the Sept. 3 issue of Outlook, under the Sept. 6 dateline listing for 9 p.m., it should have read "Democratic Primary Candidates for Prince George's County Debate" airing on UMTV.

ing session each month. The training is offered to assure regulatory compliance. Space is limited. For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Jeanette Cartron at (301) 405-2131 or jcartron@accmail.umd.edu.

10 a.m.-12 p.m., Introduction to ArcView 3.2 (GIS) 6101 McKeldin Library. The workshop is free but advance registration at www.lib.umd.edu/UES/gis.html is required. For more information, contact User Education Services at 5-9070 or ue6@umail.umd.edu.

6-9 p.m., Intermediate MATLAB 3330 Computer & Space Science. Continues covering important skills in solving matrix and vector operations, multiple integrals, differential equations, 2D and 3D plots and much more. Prerequisite: Introduction to MATLAB. Registration is \$10 students, \$20 faculty and staff, \$25 alumni. For more information, contact Carol Warrington at 5-2938 or cwpost@umd5.umd.edu, or visit www.oit.umd.edu/pt.

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NEWS FROM THE CLARICE SMITH

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Chu Shan Chinese Opera Institute Presents Exciting Folktale



Extravagant costumes, music and acrobatics will be part of the classic folktale "Monkey King."

The story of the "Monkey King" has been a long-time favorite in Chinese literature. The renowned folktale will be presented by the Washington Chu Shan Chinese Institute, a Silver Spring-based non-profit arts organization, on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20 and 21 at 8 p.m. in the Ina and Jack Kay Theatre of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center.

Complete with dazzling costumes, live music and edge-of-your-seat acrobatics, Chu Shan's full length production of the "Monkey King" will be performed in Chinese with English subtitles.

Born out of rock, the Monkey King can transform himself into 72 different things, from a fly to a temple. With one somersault over the clouds, he can travel 18,000 miles. His golden rod can stretch to heaven or collapse to the size of a toothpick to be easily hidden behind his ear.

The tale follows the Monkey King, masterful in martial arts, who has crowned himself the monarch of a band of superhuman monkeys. To keep the Monkey King in check and to win his allegiance, the Jade Emperor, Supreme Ruler of the Universe, lures him to heaven with the promise of an "important" position.

The Monkey King learns that the Jade Emperor is hosting a Peach Festival, to which everyone has been invited, except him. Consumed with rage, the Monkey King sneaks

into the Peach Festival and wreaks havoc. Intent on retaliation, the Jade Emperor sends his generals and their troops after him. Following a series of furious battles, the Monkey King and his monkey soldiers defeat the troops. They declare victory and celebrate their triumph at Mount Huaguo.

Actor, executive director and fourth generation family member of opera artists, Chu Shan Zhu is devoted to the continuation of traditional Chinese opera acting and performance. As a co-founder of the Washington Chu Shan Chinese Opera Institute, Zhu has introduced Chinese art forms unfamiliar to most American school children by performing at more than 150 local schools before 60,000 school children.

Appropriate for audiences ages 10 and up, "The Monkey King" is a modern day superhero. In addition to the performance, audience members will have an opportunity to see Chinese opera costumes before, during and after the performance on display in the Robert and Arlene Kogod Theatre. Tickets for Chu Shan's "Monkey King" are \$30, \$5 for students.

Area Premiere Kicks Off New Clarice Smith Center Season

Dancers are usually accustomed to performing on a flat stage, in an auditorium that maintains a comfortable temperature. However, during the creating of Doug Varone and Dancers' latest work, the conditions were anything but ideal. Deep in Mammoth Cave National Park in Kentucky, Varone and Dancers struggled against freezing temperatures and uneven surfaces to create their newest work, "The Bottomland," co-commissioned by the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center and the Wolf Trap Foundation for the Performing Arts.

Excerpts from the dances created at Mammoth Cave will be seen on giant screen projectors while simultaneous live performances take place on stage as part of Doug Varone and Dancers' upcoming visit to the Clarice Smith Center on Sept. 12 and 13 at 8 p.m. Far from the depths of the underground, the dancers will perform in the optimal conditions of the Ina and Jack Kay Theatre.

In addition to their new work, which will be performed indoors for the first time, Varone will also be performing the area premiere of "Approaching something Higher." Premiering in 2001 at the Joyce The-

atre in New York City, the work is set to Brahms' "Piano Trio in B Major, Opus 8."

Varone sends his company of nine dancers through, according to The Village Voice: "pulsating patterns of movement. Their formations coalesce and dissolve in an almost constant flow of twining and springing, falling and rebounding. Big trajectories are blocked or defused by little evasions, shrugs, staggers and dodges. As they spill across the stage, the dancers paint a picture of human existence full of truth and warmth."

Known by The New York Times as "a company of daredevils ... who dance on a dime — wheeling, darting and slicing the air at lethal looking speeds," the company was founded by Varone in 1986. Singled out for its extraordinary physical daring, vivid musicality and genius for capturing true human interaction in dance, Varone and his company will bring a rare performance of skill and creativity to the Clarice Smith Center.

Tickets for the performance are \$30, \$5 for students. For more information, contact the Ticket Office at (301) 405-ARTS or go to www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.



Leonard Rose Winner Returns for Recital

The Leonard Rose Cello Competition first prize winner, Niklas Eppinger, will be performing a cello recital in the Joseph and Alma Gildenhorn Recital Hall of the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center on Sunday, Sept. 15 at 3 p.m. Accompanying Eppinger on the piano will be Hae-Seung Shin, in a program featuring Schubert, "Arpeggione Sonata in A Minor," Debussy, "Sonata in D Minor," Ligeti, "Solo sonata" and Shostakovich, "Sonata in D Minor, Op. 40." Eppinger will be playing a Francesco Ruggieri cello made in 1696.

Born in Bad Oldesloe, Schleswig-

Holstein (Germany) in 1972, Eppinger began studying the cello at age 7. In 1988 he was a guest student of Julius Berger at the Music College Saarbruecken, followed by two years in London, where he was a pupil of William Pleeth and Christopher Bunting. In 1991 Eppinger attended the Music College Luebeck. He then moved on to the Music College of Hamburg, where he graduated with distinction in 1999.

Eppinger received his honors here in 2001 when the Leonard Rose competition was held at the Clarice Smith Center. He has given recitals and concerts at the NDR-Hamburg,

the SWR-Stuttgart, the Concertgebouw Amsterdam, the Bergen Festival, Norway, Interart Festival, Budapest, International Musiktag Liestal, Switzerland, Schleswig-holstein Musikfestival, the Alte Oper Frankfurt and the Santa Barbara Music Festival.

As a chamber musician, Eppinger has performed with artists such as Gidon Kremer, Yuri Bashmet, Christoph Eschenbach and Eugen Istomin. He was also invited to master classes with William Pleeth, Robert Cohen, David Geringas, Arto Noras, Sigfried Palm and Harvey Shapiro. Single tickets to Niklas Eppinger are \$25, \$5 for students.

For ticket information or to request a season brochure, contact the Ticket Office at 301.405.ARTS or visit www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu.

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Spreading Love and Comfort

Annette Duffy uses warmth and love to turn fabric into quilts. She then gives these colorful, labor-intensive gifts to family, friends and strangers.

Since October 2001, Duffy estimates she's created 11 quilts, only three of which she's kept. One has become part of Betty's Freedom Quilt project. "The goal is to get as many handmade quilts as possible for families" who lost a loved one on Sept. 11, says Duffy, who is assistant director of gifts acceptance within University Relations.

Created by a woman in Iowa named Betty Nielsen, the project (www.freedomquilts.net) has delivered more than 3,000 quilts. Nielsen and other volunteers drive to New York to deliver them to spots where families come and select one to take home. Contact information is available should recipients want to get in touch with a quilt's creator. Once Duffy heard of the effort from her cousin in Manhattan, she knew she had to get involved, especially after watching a co-worker's moving reaction to receiving one of Duffy's quilts.

"I used to work in the vice president of University Relations' office. I gave one to Jody Campbell's family who lost a cousin in the World Trade Center," says Duffy.

Though Duffy sews regularly and fondly remembers quilts made by her grandmother, she didn't pick up the quilting hobby until after taking a class at Capital Quilts in Gaithersburg. "They're great. It's small and friendly." She jokes that when her husband hears her say she's going to the quilting store, he knows that he won't see her for hours.

As the first recipient of a Duffy quilt, though, he understands. It took three months, but when she presented a

richly colored, queen-sized quilt to husband Kevin on his 50th birthday — complete with a screen-printed photo of him as a smiling one-year-old in one corner — "Well, you know, men don't cry, but he cried."

She is now working on a quilt for one of her three 20-something children and thinking



PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MITCHEL

Annette Duffy models the quilt she made as a gift for her husband on his 50th birthday. It is one of few to stay in the family; most quilts she makes become gifts for sick children or for families who lost a loved one on Sept. 11, 2001.

about her next Freedom Quilt. Duffy never repeats a pattern and churns out approximately one quilt a month. She admits that it is a lot of work, but "it's a hobby I can't stop doing." Her giving has expanded to include terminally ill patients at NIH's Children's Inn.

"A girlfriend and I are making baby quilts. We have eight done. We started before Sept. 11 and I'm looking forward to delivering [them]," she says.

Duffy, who says she likes to quilt when it's raining, knows how wonderful it can feel to be wrapped in something made with such care. It is why she'll keep coming home from work, heading for her sewing machine and shipping quilts to Iowa and New York. "I'll keep going until they say everybody has a quilt."

Remembrance: Hopes for Harmony

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gift of citizenship. The poem was first published in April 1999 and was dedicated at that time to C. D. Mote in honor of his inauguration as the 27th president of the University of Maryland. I hope the poem is as meaningful today as it was before, for it is meant to express the sentiments of all immigrants, including Arab-Americans such as myself, who have gratefully received the bounty of America.

The Bounty of America
dedicated to C.D. Mote Jr.

Mother of brave men and beautiful women,
Accept the love of your new-born babe,
Whose first days sing your glories and your power.

In you Time's contradictions have been reconciled:
Young yet so wise; I see your pride in your great Rockies;
Your humility in your prairie lands;
In your great forests I hear the drums of ancient wars
But on the shores of your lakes my ears capture the symphony of universal peace.

I feel your gentleness in your sweet streams,
Your slender birches and ever-green leaves,
And I feel your strength in your mighty waterfalls,
The great expanses of land, of snow and of wood.

Humble and proud I come to you:
Humble to receive your gift of a new life;
Proud because I do not come empty of hand
But bring my own gifts of noble blood
And of the fairest fruits of my ancient land.

My heart rejoices in the thought
That I have been chosen to receive the gift of this new life
In the magnificence of your two hundred and twentieth year,
When you have been most fertile and productive
And when you have become the center of adoration of
All the worlds of both East and West.

I make my pledge:
I have come to serve you well;
I have come to till your great land
And beautify your fifty fertile fields
And fill your sky with song and laughter;
I have come to give but never to ask—
To sacrifice in your love, but never to expect anything in return.

I have come to erect the edifice of your glory
With my other brothers, the Indian, the Eskimo, the European, the Asian and the African;

And in your love be united with the Red, the White, the Yellow and the Black

I have come to embrace every one of your religions,
So that I become one with the Indian and the Hindu, the Jew and the Christian,
the Muslim and the Bahá'í.
How rich you are in your many sons,
In your many faiths, and in your thousand tongues.

First time born I was one—
Today I come to you two in one and one in two
Enriched a million times
By my beautiful wife, my life.

Let them who have many doubts hear in my voice
All men's faith in you;
Let them who cannot recognize your light
See in my dawn the glories of your resplendent sunshine;
Let the whole earth hear my joyous song
For I have found in you the love of my ancient land;
The seat of majesty, the happy land, and the shape of the world yet to come.

Let those who are a hundred years old
See in the new-born babe
The dream of their yesterdays,
The strength of their today, and
The hope of their future years.

A conversation with Gary Gerstle, professor of history

I continue to be impressed by the refusal to stigmatize all Muslim Americans as a dangerous group. Of course there is plenty of racial profiling going on, and the civil liberties of some Muslim Americans have been violated. But if we compare the treatment of Muslim Americans today with German Americans in World War I and Japanese Americans in World War II, we can discern a difference, a move toward greater tolerance, especially on the part of the country's official leaders. In this respect, President George Bush's visit to a mosque shortly after 9/11 to declare his opposition to stigmatizing all Muslims as terrorists or as evil or as un-American was very significant. No American president tried something similar with regard to the Germans and the Japanese.

This tolerance, in my eyes, testifies to the triumph of what I call "soft multiculturalism," a multiculturalism that recognizes that the strength of America lies in the diversity of its religions, races, and peoples. It declares the possibility of being strongly allied both to a particular group and to the nation as whole, in contrast to "hard multiculturalism," which sees little possibility of reconciliation between one's racial group and one's nation. Soft multiculturalism did not triumph as a result of 9/11; that triumph has been in the works

for about a decade.

The harder question to answer is how deeply Americans feel this new patriotism — how much does it mean to them? What and how much are they willing to give to their nation or sacrifice for it? Since so few of us have been asked to give much since the emergency of 9/11 subsided, it is hard to know. Relatively few Americans have been asked to serve in the military or to make economic sacrifices for the sake of security. We do endure longer lines at airports, but I wouldn't count that as a big sacrifice.

It would be foolish to suggest that racism has ended or that racial exclusion has ceased to be a factor on the American scene. One has only to look at the faces of the firemen who died in New York to realize that the fire department remains a profoundly racialized institution. In a New York Times picture of them all, virtually all were white, very few were black or Hispanic. And, to the extent that we have made the New York fireman into a new kind of American hero, we have once again suggested that our heroes, the people who are thought to embody the best American values, are white.

So, even in this hopeful time of community and nation-building that transcends racial lines, we can see the possibility of older racial divisions being reinvigorated.

Reflections from Miranda Schreurs, associate professor of comparative politics

There were a couple of incidents [against Muslim Americans] that showed how it is all too easy for ethnic groups to get targeted. Some people, who are non-Americans, have mentioned to me that neighbors asked them why they were not hanging the American flag.

If we look at the way Asians were treated even pre-World War II, the media may have been as responsible as the public. The images: calling them Japs and the yellows. But the media has gotten a whole lot more progressive in dealing with racial issues. It boldly raised the question of the treatment of Afghan prisoners at Guantanamo Bay. The media is championing their rights.

A number of people of Japanese origin mentioned that they found it a little uncomfortable, especially in the few weeks after the attacks, because a lot of comparisons were being made between the terrorist attacks and Pearl Harbor.

However, the crisis did bring us together more than it separated us. The world was largely united and that was remarkable. Where is some of that unity going? We have to be careful about where we are going with international relations.

The Division of Student Affairs and the Department of Resident Life would like to thank the following people for their participation in the **Faculty/Staff Move-In Program**. They made Move-In Day for Fall 2002 one of the best ever!

Amelia Simmons, administrative assistant, Office of Campus Programs

Andrea Goodwin, assistant director, Office of Judicial Programs

Barbara Gill, director, Office of Undergraduate Admissions

Barbara Goldberg, co-coordinator, Returning Students Programs

Barbara Jacoby, director, Commuter Affairs and Community Service

Beverly Greenfeig, co-coordinator, Returning Students Program

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Jim Osteen, director, Union and Campus Programs

John Zacker, director, Student Discipline

Julie Luce, Coordinator, Memorial Chapel

Julie Parsons, coordinator, Eating Disorders Program

Kate Innes, limited enrollment program coordinator, Office of Undergraduate Admissions

Kathleen Maroney, assistant director, University Golf Course

Katy Casserly, coordinator, Student Involvement Programs

Larry Evans, special assistant to the vice president, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs

Linda Clement, vice president, Student Affairs

Linh T. Nghe, counselor, Counseling Center

Marilyn Kauffman, assistant to the vice president, Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs

Marsha Guenzler-Stevens, director of activities, Union and Campus Programs

Mary Patricia Teller, account clerk, Stamp Student Union

Neruh Ramirez, admissions counselor, Office of Undergraduate Admissions

Pat Johnston, coordinator, Health and Education Services

Rebecca Shepherd, manager, Golf Shop Operations

Reshanda Grace-Bridges, housing manager, Conference and Visitor Services

Robin Weeks, business manager, Stamp Student Union

Samantha Jones, coordinator for special admissions programs and scholarships, Office of Undergraduate Admissions

Shirley Browner, academic skills counselor, Learning Assistance Service

Susan Warren, associate director, Conference and Visitor Services

Thomas Pitchford, fraternity advisor, Union and Campus Programs

Tracey Jamison, assistant director, Undergraduate Admissions

Tracy Lee, counselor, Financial Aid

Smith School to Introduce Executive MBA Program

The university's Robert H. Smith School of Business will launch its first executive MBA (EMBA) program in January 2003. The program will run over the course of 18 months, with 35 positions available in the first class. It is designed to not only provide a quality executive education to managers, but also to focus on the educational and developmental needs of the companies that sponsor the participants.

"At a time when corporations are focused on managing costs more effectively, it is critical that EMBA programs deliver exceptional and immediate value to sponsoring firms. The Smith School program will do that," said Dean Howard Frank. "Our EMBA is based on a systematic approach to management, and will be relevant, practical and applicable from the moment participating executives walk out the door."

The Smith School program consists of three integrated modules: foundation, project and mastery. The program begins with the school's strong MBA core as the foundation, and integrates four critical mastery skills courses throughout the curriculum. The mastery skills courses focus on the areas of technology, communications, ethics

and corporate citizenship and leadership and creativity.

The program also incorporates an action-learning engagement project for the sponsoring company. This project enables the firm to tie the participant's learning to specific company needs and to benefit directly from the work the participant does during the program. The projects account for nearly 20 percent of the curriculum or approximately 10 of the 54 credits required for the degree.

"The action project allows enrolled executives to not only gain valuable skills and knowledge, but to tackle real issues currently facing their particular companies," said Scott Koerwer, associate dean and director of the Smith School's Office of Executive Education. "Whatever issue is selected, whether it's the introduction of a new product, or even developing a merger strategy, executives will carry out projects that provide real benefit to their organizations."

Anil Gupta, Ralph J. Tyser Professor of Strategy and Organization at the Smith School, will lead as the academic director. The application deadline for the 2003 class is Dec. 1. More information about the program is available at <http://ee.rhsmith.umd.edu/emba>.



Training Employees to Lead Dingman Center Helps Small Businesses



PHOTO BY JEFF HEEBNER

Deborah Uitz of CPAMoneyWatch.com offers instruction to a participant during the Oracle program. Her company has a partnership with the center.

Representatives from a number of small- to mid-sized Maryland businesses stopped by the Smith School's Netcentric Financial Markets Laboratory recently for a full day of training on a new e-business application. The businesses were selected to take part in the Dingman Center for Entrepreneurship/Oracle Small Business Assistance Program, sponsored by the Dingman Center. The program provides selected businesses with free access to the Oracle Small Business Suite, a new Web-based platform for managing various small business functions. The businesses also get free training through the Dingman Center's partnership with CPAMoneyWatch.com. The Oracle program is part of the "eMaryland" initiative, passed by the legislature in 2000 to speed technology growth and adoption throughout the state. For more information, visit www.rhsmith.umd.edu/dingman/oracle.htm.



Notable

Tom Wilson recently assumed the position of director, information technology, for the University Libraries. He was the head of systems at the University of Houston (UH) Libraries where he managed the information technology needs of the main library and its branches and oversaw an integrated library system shared by three campuses of the UH System.

Faye S. Taxman, associate research professor in the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice and director of the Bureau of Governmental Research of the University of Maryland Center for Applied Policy Studies (UMCAPS) was awarded the University of Cincinnati Award by the American Probation and Parole Association. The award is given to a researcher or non-practitioner that has made significant contributions to the field of supervision. Taxman is known for her work in the nexus between the treatment and criminal justice system and systemic approaches. Most recently she has been working with the Maryland Division of Parole and Probation in a series of studies and technical assistance to reframe supervision services to incorporate evidenced-based scientific practices.

Bob Stumpff, coordinator of General Services in the Department of Building and Landscape Services, was elected chair of the Maryland Recycling Coalition board of directors for the 2002-2003 academic year. Stumpff has been coordinating the university recycling effort since Facilities Management became involved in 1993.

Helen Hull, graduate assistant in the Office of English Undergraduate Studies, received the Provost Academic Advisor Award for being "a fantastic resource" and for "improving colleagues' and students' lives."

Margaret M. Pearson, professor with the Department of Government and Politics, has been awarded a Fulbright Scholar grant to do research this semester at Beijing University. She will study the emergence of China's regulatory state.

Corporate and Foundation Relations welcomes two new members: **Sandra Waldrop** as administrative assistant and **Koli Banik** as graduate assistant. For the last three years, Waldrop has been with the Career Center, where she organized career fairs and scheduled on-campus interviews. Banik will be assisting with research and proposal development. She is entering the doctorate program in education policy and leadership after four years coordinating the Vietnam Fellowship Program at the Population Council in New York City.



In Memoriam

Comptroller's Office Loses Friend, Family Man

The Office of Contract and Grant Accounting is heartbroken to announce the sudden death of Dennis M. Trimble, a 25-year employee of the university. Trimble spent his entire career within the Comptroller's Office working in various aspects of sponsored project administration. Most recently he acted as the university's representative to the federal government for property reporting.

Colleagues knew Trimble as a man who took care of his family, especially his nieces and nephews. He was an avid gardener with a passion for azaleas. He was well known around campus for his zeal for exercise and would be seen daily working out at one of the campus facilities. Trimble, 53, died after collapsing during a workout two weeks ago.

He is survived by his long-time companion, Maria Perrotta, his mother Eileen Trimble, 12 brothers and sisters and his nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Thursday, Aug. 29 at St Mary's Catholic Church in Landover Hills, Md.

Maryland Leadership Institute Students Desire to Change the World

This summer marked the seventh year that the Maryland School of Public Affairs has hosted the Maryland Leadership Institute in Public Policy and International Affairs. The seven-week, residential program brings together 31 academically talented undergraduate students from across the country to learn about the world of public policy and international affairs.

Some of the students in this year's program were born to be public servants. Crystal Frierson knew at age 15 that she could "change the world."

"I attended a summer foreign policy program at Georgetown University after my freshman year in high school and knew instantly that I wanted to live in D.C. and pursue a degree in political science," she said.

Mark Lopez, an instructor with the institute and a research assistant professor with the School of Public Affairs, said students come into the program with clear goals such as Crystal's. They know what they want to do, and just need some help to get there.

"Most of my discussions with students are about what graduate school they should go to to achieve this. I advise them on schools based on their skills and what they want to do."

Crystal is now at Howard University pursuing a career in the Foreign Service. She was president of the Howard College Democrats and coordinated student participation for Al Gore's visit to Howard during the Gore/Lieberman 2000 campaign. Crystal was selected to introduce Gore at the nationally televised event. She also worked with the African Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) where she helped with office preparations for President Clinton's trip to Nigeria in 2001.

"I worked extensively on the implementation of the African Growth and Opportunity Act, a legislative effort to create sustainable trade relationships with sub-Saharan Africa."

Crystal hopes that the Maryland Leadership Institute will prepare her for graduate-level quantitative courses and provide her with a chance to learn from peers with similar interests.

Karlo Marcelo, a University of Maryland student, says he also became interested in public service in high school.

"Participating in the National Youth Leadership Conference and my high school government classes were the fundamental drivers behind my newfound ambition to create change."

A visit to the Philippines helped Karlo focus on environmental policy issues. "I realized that the poor air and water quality were not indigenous to Manila and could be better managed."

Karlo plans to pursue a master's in public policy and expects the Maryland program to broaden his growing interest in international security policy research and analysis.

Students participated in a series of policy-related activities, including a two-day symposium on current issues in public policy and international affairs hosted by Howard University. Senior Diplomat in Residence June Carter Perry addressed the group, along with George Dalley, counsel to Congressman Charles B. Rangel, who spoke on "The Role of Congress in U.S. Foreign Policy." Patricia Norman of the Department of State addressed the issue of "Bilateral Relations: Trade & Border Challenges for the 21st Century."

Brown bag luncheons were held on the subject of "Homeland Security in the Era of Terrorism," conducted by John Steinbruner of the Center for International and Security Studies at Maryland (CISSM). Lauri Fitz-Pegado, former assistant secretary and director general of the U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service at the Department of Commerce gave a talk on careers in international affairs.

—Makeba Clay, director,
Maryland Leadership Institute

West Nile: Campus Takes Precautions

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storm management ponds and wetlands, and works with the state of Maryland mosquito control unit to coordinate application of environmentally safe larvicide to kill mosquito larvae. This summer, the state applied larvicide to areas of standing water on the university campus on June 2 and 25, July 17 and Aug. 2. Because of the possible toxic effects of chemical insecticide on humans, the university does not spray to control adult mosquitoes.

University Facilities Management personnel also look for and report standing water on rooftops and other areas where rainwater could collect. Because of the dry summer, little or no water has accumulated. Standing water must be present for at least a week for the cycle of mosquito egg-laying and hatching to take place. Interior standing water, such as that occasionally found in mechanical areas, is reported and attended

to immediately. Mosquitoes that breed indoors and have not lived outside have no way of being exposed to the virus.

While dead birds and other animals are not necessarily a problem, they may be an indication of WNV. The university immediately removes animal carcasses found on campus and takes them to the Central Animal Resources Facility. The animals are reported to the state department of public health.

What can I do to reduce my risk of being bitten by a mosquito?

- When outdoors, use insect repellent that contains DEET. A DEET content of 10 to 50 percent is sufficient.
- Wear light colored, long-sleeved shirts and long pants outdoors.
- Avoid outdoor activities from dusk to dawn.
- Avoid mosquito-infested areas such as marshes and wetlands.

Report standing water and dead animals to Work Control at (301) 405-2222.

Security: University Hosts Forum for a Variety of Views

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ty, and Sen. Paul Sarbanes were also invited to participate in the Sept. 19-20 conference.

"This conference has a broad spectrum of speakers that [represent] many of the different aspects of what homeland security is," said Dennis O'Connor, dean of the graduate school and vice president for

research.

The conference will look back at Sept. 11 and examine progress made in the past year, faculty member Timothy Coffey said. "The fact that it's being held roughly a year later is not accidental."

Called "Homeland Security: The Civil-Military Dimensions,"

the event will provide a forum to discuss civil as well as military issues relating to homeland security, said Marine Corps Col. Steven Tomisek, a National Defense University (NDU) homeland security research fellow.

The agenda provides for discussion on domestic preparedness for the possibility of future attacks, the role of the armed forces, science and technology and the protection of civil liberties.

More importantly, the conference is a "nexus between civilian views of homeland security and the views of the department of defense regarding their roles in homeland security," Coffey said.

Also recognizing that defense of the country involves more than the military, the university formed the Council for Security and Counterterrorism studies in October 2001 to address its contribution to assessing, researching and resolving the variety of homeland defense issues stemming from last

year's attacks.

The council, made up of faculty from several colleges and departments at the university, coordinated with NDU administration and faculty to organize the conference, council Chairman Coffey said.

But perhaps one of the most significant and relevant discussion topics for the conference will be President Bush's proposed Department of Homeland Security, Tomisek said. The creation of a new department would be "the most extensive reorganization of the federal government since the 1940s," the president said in a statement when he submitted the proposed legislation to Congress.

Tomisek said the proposed department addresses the question of whether the federal government is organized in an effective and efficient manner to confront the new threat of terrorism that the country faces.

Unlike the university, which

only recently became involved with homeland security, the Defense University researches and evaluates homeland defense and other military issues as part of the everyday curriculum. In fact, the conference is this year's topic in one of four major symposia organized and sponsored by the NDU each year.

The university's participation in the conference, however, offers a wider audience with diverse interests and expertise, which reflect the contrasting issues associated with homeland security.

"Universities have historically been the marketplace for the free exchange of ideas and I think it's important to share thoughts on these issues and to examine the implications of proposed actions," O'Connor said.

—Christine Hines, courtesy of
The Diamondback
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Conference attendance will be limited to the first 400 paid registrants.

Registration fee is \$90 and can be paid with Visa, Master Card or American Express credit cards. However, electronic credit card payments cannot be made. To pay with a credit card, print out the completed payment form (available at www.ndu.edu/inss/symposia/jointops02/regist.html) and fax it to (202) 685-3866. To pay by check, please make it payable to "NDU Symposia Committee" and mail the registration form

and check to:

National Defense University
Institute for National Strategic Studies (symposia)
300 5th Ave., Marshall Hall
Fort McNair
Washington, D.C. 20319-5066

Vouchers (DD Form 1556 or Standard Form 182) cannot be accepted for this fee. Registrations must be received by Sept. 12, after that date requests for refunds will not be accepted. For more information, call (202) 685-3857 or visit www.ndu.edu/inss/symposia/jointops02/agenda.html.

Winning an Award for Educating the World



Mike Embrey with one of his beekeeping Turkmenistan colleagues, who goes only by the name Professor Narkuly.

Administrators and directors received Board of Regents staff awards this summer, and so did a beekeeper named Michael Embrey.

His official title is agricultural technician supervisor for the Department of Entomology, but it is Embrey's extensive extracurricular work to educate schoolchildren and the public about beekeeping that earned him the Extraordinary Public Service-Nonexempt award. According to a nomination letter written by his supervisor Galen Dively, a professor from entomology, Embrey "has developed an outstanding educational program for beekeepers and the general public. Since 1996, Mike has been very active in the Maryland State Beekeepers Association — serving on committees, organizing meetings, giving presentations, and problem-shooting hive troubles via on-site visits to member beekeepers."

Embrey writes a quarterly newsletter, *Bee News*, and speaks frequently locally and abroad. Though he is not a Maryland Cooperative Extension agent, his outreach apiculture work on the Eastern Shore often has him functioning as one. This outreach came to the attention of Winrock International's Farmer-to-Farmer program. He helped develop a tour for visiting Bulgarian beekeepers to bee colonies in Maryland, Pennsylvania and North Carolina. Embrey was then asked to work with a group of beekeepers in Turkmenistan, which is in Central Asia between Iran and Afghanistan.

"I've been there three times. I will be going for a fourth time on October 2," says Embrey. "Since 1999, I have had assignments for beekeeping projects all over the world. I've been to Russia, Bulgaria and Bangladesh. Beekeeping is more economically important over there than here in the states. Beekeeping has a long tradition."

It is a full-time job for many in the third world. Complicated mobile honey-collecting businesses roam through Russia with hives for pollination and honey. Owners live in small cabins attached to trucks or on trailers and ask farmers to allow their

bees to pollinate crops, while they produce honey that can be sold in honey shops. "Beekeepers make more than farmers," says Embrey.

Embrey co-launched a honey processing cooperative managed by women in Turkmenistan and is beginning work on another. He is also working to form a national beekeeping association.

He began his beekeeping work as a volunteer 14 years ago. Bob Rouse, a small fruit and orchard extension specialist, needed someone to raise bees at the university's Wye Research and Education Center to pollinate crops. The university's extension apiculturist offered Embrey a crash course in the field and the ag technician took it a step further by looking for others on the Eastern Shore interested in learning to keep bees.

In 1996 when the extension apiculturist left to go to the USDA bee laboratory in Tucson, Embrey didn't want to leave those other people in the lurch so he continued training others on his own. "I had a support system already developed," says Embrey.

One of his supporters is Dively, with whom Embrey has worked for in developing integrated pest management systems. Embrey says that experience has easily integrated with his work with honeybees. Bees, which are critically needed for human food supplies, have pests that threaten their existence. Bees have mites that drink their blood. The only chemicals available to fight them have become obsolete because the mites developed a resistance to them. It has become important to develop some pest management strategies for beekeepers to aid in controlling these mites, says Embrey.

He will continue to help others develop their beekeeping skills, in this country and elsewhere. He is raising funds to take back to Turkmenistan so that the honey cooperatives can buy equipment and take computer and English classes. He especially wants to bolster the women's cooperatives.

"There's a saying, 'If you teach a man, a man learns. If you teach a woman, a family learns,' says Embrey. "It will be passed on."

Grant: Students, Faculty Benefit

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1992 is exemplary. It is also a testament to the college's program. It's not universal for undergraduates to do the amount of research being done in her college, and that is part of its strength. "These aren't just summer-long or semester internships," she said. "These are amazing students. They accomplish so much and this is not the only thing they are doing. We have one student that is majoring in physics and biotechnology."

Between 70 and 75 students work under HHMI fellowships, with Thompson coordinating outside activities and recruitment. Competitive on more than one level, the program allows undergraduates to work on research projects for up to one year (with a one- to two-year renewable option) under the supervision of a faculty mentor. The university's \$1.8 million award, said Thompson, will allow her to strengthen undergraduate course offerings, increase outreach efforts to pre-college students and biology teachers and give faculty more release time to devote to research. "And this gives them time to be resources for students."

Thompson, whose research interests include play behavior in juvenile mammals and chemical communication's role in controlling reproductive physiology, also wants to work on student development and preparing them for teaching careers. "What we've done for the last several years is to take a careful look at the



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Hojun Li works in organic chemistry, studying the self-assembly properties of the guanosine DNA base and its potential as an artificial ion channel through cell membranes. He plans to graduate in Spring 2005, with departmental honors in both biochemistry and math.

students' needs and the undergraduate curriculum to make sure it reflects modern biology," she said. "But it's a moving target. Now this grant will let us take a broad look at what we're doing."

Maryland is one of 44 major research universities chosen to share \$80 million in awards from the institute, which is a medical research organization dedicated to basic biomedical research and education. Students receive stipends of \$1,200 per semester and \$2,600 per summer, or up to \$5,000 per year after successfully submitting a formal grant proposal. It is much like the process Thompson went through to secure the funding.

"We thought we had a really great proposal, but nothing is guaranteed. It's getting more competitive every year," she said.

"We're very lucky to have the students we have. It's easy to make a case for continued funding because of what they have accomplished."

Fire Safety: Raising Questions

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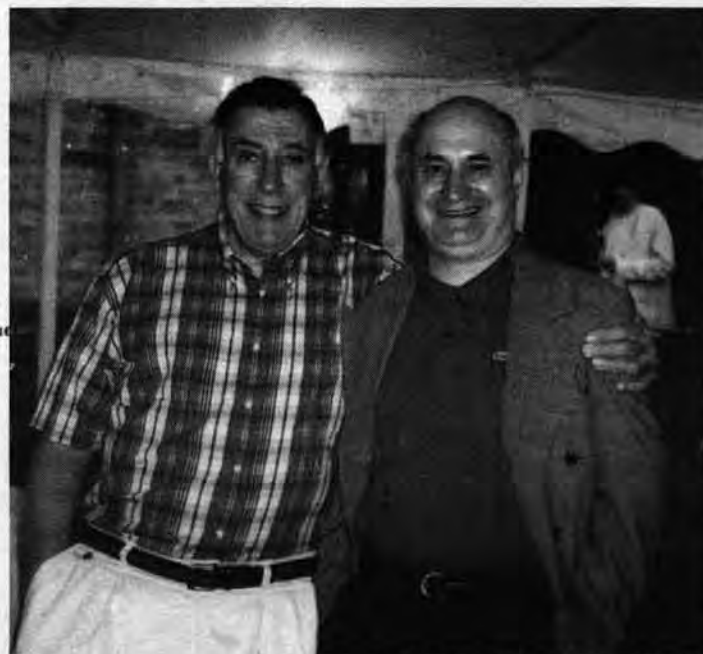


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Professors James Quintiere, left, and Marino diMarzo at the seventh meeting of the International Association for Fire Safety in Worcester, Mass. in June.

for their paper's basis came from a thick Federal Emergency Management Agency publication, "World Trade Center Building Performance Study: data collection, preliminary observations and recommenda-

tions," Quintiere said while the publication offers little analysis, it is an excellent place to begin given its wealth of structural specifications on each of the buildings affected. Quintiere points to building reg-

ulations as part of the problem. He hopes that a new \$16 million study being conducted by the National Institute of Standards and Technology will be thorough enough to answer some of the issues his and diMarzo's questions raise.

"Ours is an assumption, though very substantive. It needs to be looked at further, refuted or validated," said diMarzo. "Then you have a lesson learned. It doesn't diminish the terrifying event or the responsibility of the terrorists."

"If the buildings fell down because of poor fire safety, should we attack Afghanistan?" asked Quintiere. "Sure, you punish those who started this, but there has to be some attention to fire safety issues as well."

For Your Interest

Finding Ways to Give Back

Interested in giving back and making a difference in the community? Then drop by the Community Service Corner at the First Look Fair. More than 30 service organizations will be recruiting volunteers on both Wednesday, Sept. 25 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., and Thursday, Sept. 26 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Agencies such as So Others May Eat, AmeriCorps, Greenbelt Cares and many more will be on hand to share information on service opportunities. Everyone is welcome, so be sure to stop by McKeldin Mall to see the many service opportunities. The event is sponsored by Community Service Programs.

For more information about the Community Service Corner or about service in general, call (301) 314-CARE.

Leadership Society Seeks Honorees

Omicron Delta Kappa would like faculty and staff to help them find and reward student leaders in five areas of community life: scholarship; campus or community service, social, religious activities and campus government; athletics; journalism, speech and the mass media; and the creative arts. A minimum GPA of 3.20 for juniors, 3.25 for seniors and 3.80 for graduate students is required to be considered for membership. Applications can be picked up in the office of Stamp Student Union and Campus Programs, 1136 Stamp Student Union. For more information, call (301) 314-7174 or 314-8502.

World Energy Policy Conference

An array of important speakers and delegates from government, industry and academia will converge on the university for the World Energy Policy in the 21st Century conference, Sept. 16 to 18.

The conference will feature discussions on issues in three different dimensions of energy policy: technological, economic and socio-political. Organizers aim to provide a forum that will maximize the fostering and exchange of new ideas. The departments of Geology and Meteorology and the School of Public Affairs are among the many sponsoring groups from industry, gov-

ernment and academia.

For more information, contact Julio Friedmann at juliof@geol.umd.edu. For a list of speakers and registration information, visit www.geol.umd.edu/~juliof/EnergyPolicyWebsite/Energy_Homepage.htm.

Turkish Belly Dance Classes

Explore the world of Turkish Belly Dance. Two classes will be offered this fall at the Art and Learning Center in B0107 Stamp Student Union. The first class focuses on technique (6 to 7:30 p.m.) and the second on fitness training through belly dance (4:30 to 6 p.m.). Both classes begin Tuesday, Sept. 10 and continue for six weeks. The cost is \$50 for students and \$55 for faculty and staff.

For more information, contact the Art and Learning Center at (301) 314-ARTS or asimon@union.umd.edu, or visit www.union.umd.edu/artcenter.

Library Copy Cards

Campus departments can now purchase and add value to library photocopy cards with a university purchasing card. Internal Services Requests can no longer be accepted. A campus department form to purchase a copy card is available in the "Get a Photocopy Card" section of the Web site.

For more information, contact Mark Wilkerson at (301) 405-9057 or mw106@umail.umd.edu, or visit www.lib.umd.edu/copy.

Talk About Teaching

Join the Center Alliance for School Teachers (CAST) for Talk About Teaching, a series of informal school-university conversations. Students, classroom teachers and administrators from schools and community colleges are welcome. Bring a dozen copies of a lesson plan to share with colleagues. Sessions meet from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Center for Renaissance & Baroque Studies, 0135 Taliaferro Hall. Examination copies of new text materials and refreshments will be provided.

• September 12: Ancient Greece: Interdisciplinary Instruction

• October 10: Writing: Rubric-Based Assessment
For more information, contact Nancy Traubitz at (301) 405-6833 or nt32@umail.umd.edu, or visit www.inform.umd.edu/crbs/programs/cast/.

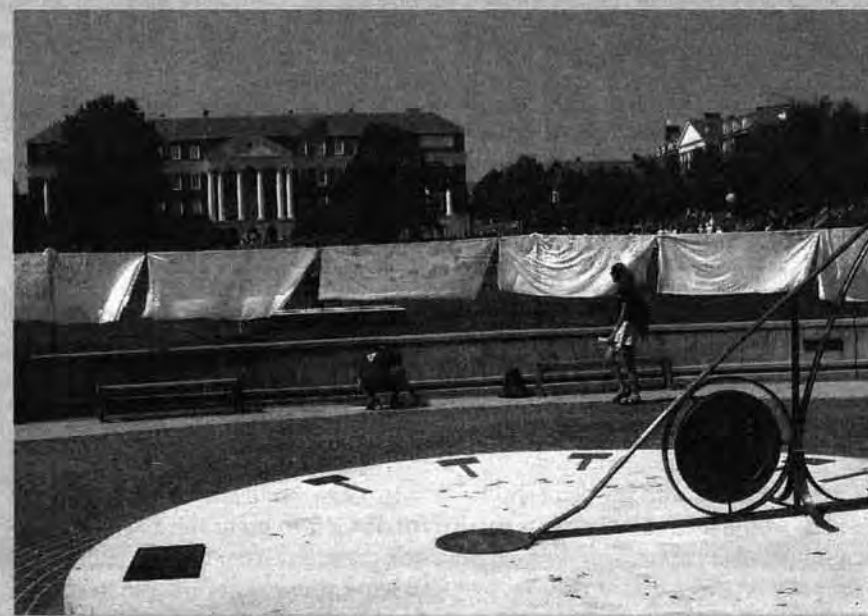
Chesapeake Champions: A Little Softball on a Summer Day



PHOTO BY MONETTE AUSTIN BAILEY

Cheering loudly, the team from the comptroller's office shows who won the Chesapeake Building championship softball tournament last week, with a score of 11-3 against the personnel department. Co-ed teams from the Department of Environmental Safety and Purchasing also participated.

Memorial Service Planned



FILE PHOTO BY CYNTHIA MITCHEL

Banners filled by thoughts written by members of our community on Sept. 12 last year will be displayed around the Mall as part of the Sept. 11 memorial this week.

To commemorate the events of Sept. 11, the campus community is invited to attend a memorial service, "Remembrance of the Past, Hope for the Future," to be held on McKeldin Mall, Wednesday, Sept. 11. A group of students, chaplains and staff have been planning an event that seeks to honor those lives lost and build on the unity that grew out of our collective pain.

The morning will begin with a vigil from 8:30-10:30 a.m., during which time the names of all of those who died will be read and the moments when the planes crashed and the World Trade Towers fell will be marked with the laying of wreathes and banners. A brief program held from 10:30-11:00 a.m. will feature music, a moment of silence and comments by President Dan Mote, Student Government Association

President Brandon DeFrehn and Graduate Student Government President Alfredo Perez. In addition, the banners filled by thoughts written by members of our community throughout the day on Sept. 12 last year will be displayed around the Mall.

Recognizing that students, faculty and staff will each determine the most appropriate manner to remember Sept. 11, the campus has elected to remain open on a regular schedule. For some, comfort and security can be found in maintaining routine activities. Classes will be held and offices will be open for the regular workday. Everyone is encouraged to be sensitive to the needs of members of our community who may have special needs on this day of remembrance and reflection.

With specific questions, contact Pat Perfetto at pperfett@accmail.umd.edu.